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TAGS: ETRD GATT NO

SUBJECT: WP MEETING ON EC/NORWAY

REF: STATE 235748

1. EMBASSY DISCUSSED DECEMBER 4 WORKING PARTY MEETING ON EC/ NORWAY AGREEMENT WITH DEPUTY UNDER DIRECTOR FOR ECONOMIC AFFAIRS IN FOREIGN MINISTRY, TORE BOEGH. BOEGH CHARACTERIZED THE DELAY IN GATT APPROVAL OF THE EC/NORWAY TRADE AGREEMENT AS "AWKWARD" AND "INCONVENIENT." HE SAID THAT U.S. ACTION WOULD NOT CAUSE NORWAY ANY POLITICAL DIFFICULTIES SINCE WHAT WAS INVOLVED WAS A DISPUTE BETWEEN THE U.S. AND THE E.C. US/NORWEGIAN RELATIONS WERE ONLY MARGINALLY INVOLVED. MEANWHILE, NORWAY AND THE EC CONSIDERED THE AGREEMENT OPERATIVE AND WERE ACTING ACCORDINGLY SO GATT HOLD UP CAUSED NO REAL DIFFICULTIES.

2. BOEGH ALSO SAID PERIODIC NORWEGIAN MEETING WITH EC ON NOVEMBER 30 WAS ROUTINE. HE HAD NOT LEARNED OF U.S. PLANS FOR RAISING RULES OF ORIGIN ISSUE AT DECEMBER 4 GATT MEETING IN TIME TO ADVISE HIS DELEGATION BEFORE NOVEMBER 30 MEETING WAS CONCLUDED. DELEGATION HAD MENTIONED SUBJECT TO EC LATER, HOWEVER. BOEGH SAID NORWAY WILL NOT PRESS ISSUE WITH EC SINCE IT IS OF MARGINAL IMPORTANCE TO NORWAY. BUCHANAN

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